

ARTS = MORE
education than you think

SUPPORT FOR ARTS GRADUATION REQUIREMENT

As a professional artist (MFA) and Board Certified Neurologist I know something about art, learning and the brain.

I know that proficiency in using words, reading, writing, and thinking in words is the chief way our students in NC are advanced through the grades. I know that visualizing, “seeing”, image-ining solutions to problems is not done with words. I know that art education trains these latter and essential capabilities, that art training has nothing to do with pretty pictures.

In ten years, NC is slated to become the 5th most populous state in the nation. We cannot have our students disadvantaged by lack of art brain training needed to resolve the increasingly complex issues, large and small, that characterize life in the 21st century. We just cannot leave our students in the lurch in this way.

Please do what you can to ensure that art credit is a requirement for graduation for our NC students. Please see that their whole brain is trained, not just part of it. Their world is moving very fast now and now is the time to help them. Thank you for your hours and hours of good work.

Sincerely,
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